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- (1) KR Laid-Open No. 2002-39447
- (2) US Patent No. 6,563,628
- (3) US Patent No. 6,483,632
- (4) US Patent No. 6,441,950

(5) 16-Channel C-Band Hybrid Fiber Amplifier Comprising an EDFA and a Single Diode Laser Pumped Dispersion Compensating Raman Amplifier

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(6) Variable attenuation slope compensator (VASC) using silica-based planar lightwave circuit technology for active gain slope control in EDFAs

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